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Per applicant's telephone request of June 9, 2006, enclosed are:

- a "CLEAN COPY" of the specification as amended THROUGH 6/10/2003 which includes reinstated matter which had been requested to be deleted in applicants response of 08/02/2005, and
- 2) a "MARKED UP COPY" notated in accordance with the Notice of Feb.28, 2003 including one paragraph deleted (page 1) and one paragraph reinstated (page 18-19).

Please Note: The changes requested on 08/02/06 <u>may or may not</u> have been made on the record, in that the previous request of 5/03/2005 was objected to by the examiner in the Office Action dated 04/04/2006. Applicant is uncertain of the current record.

Applicant certifies that no new matter is included.

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Sir:

The following is respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated 04/04/2006. This response comprises:

Proposed Amended Claims (attached)

Summary of Amended Claims and Response to Office Action (attached)

Summary of telephone Interview 06/02/06 (attached)

Transmittal Notes re Amended Specification (enclosed, 1 page)

Amended Specifications Clean and Marked Up Copies (enclosed, 28 pages each)

Copy of Draft Claim amendments submitted for interview (enclosed, 12 pages)

Respectfully submitted,

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